

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans's Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on the following: H.R. 3082, Veteran-Owned Small Business Promotion Act of 2005; H.R. 1773, Native American Veteran Home Loan Act; a measure to Establish an Office of Disabled Veterans Sports and Special Events; a measure to require the Veterans' Employment and Training Service to Establish Qualification Standards for Disabled Veteran Outreach Specialists and Local Veteran Employment Representatives; a measure to increase the Disabled Veteran Adaptive Housing Grant; and a measure to Provide for a Disabled Veteran Transitional Housing Grant. Testimony was heard from Delegate Faleomavaega; John M. McWilliam, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Operations and Management, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor; Keith Pedigo, Director, Loan Guaranty Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans organizations.

HEALTH CARE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Health Care Information Technology (IT). Testimony was heard from David Brailer, M.D., National Coordinator, Health Information Technology, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

GLOBAL MISSILE THREATS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence met in executive session to hold a hearing on Global Missile Threats. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 807)

H.R. 3071, to permit the individuals currently serving as Executive Director, Deputy Executive Directors, and General Counsel of the Office of Compliance to serve one additional term. Signed on July 27, 2005. (Public Law 109-38)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 28, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Lieutenant General Norton A. Schwartz, USAF, for appointment to the grade of general

and to be Commander, U.S. Transportation Command, Ronald M. Sega, of Colorado, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force, Phillip Jackson Bell, of Georgia, to be Deputy Under Secretary for Logistics and Materiel Readiness, and John G. Grimes, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Networks and Information Integration, both of the Department of Defense, Keith E. Eastin, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations and Environment, and William Anderson, of Connecticut, to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations, Environment and Logistics, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to mark up the nominations of Christopher Cox, of California, Roel C. Campos, of Texas, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and Annette L. Nazareth, of the District of Columbia, each to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, John C. Dugan, of Maryland, to be Comptroller of the Currency, and John M. Reich, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision, both of the Department of the Treasury, Martin J. Gruenberg, of Maryland, to be Member and Vice Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, S. 705, to establish the Interagency Council on Meeting the Housing and Service Needs of Seniors, H.R. 804, to exclude from consideration as income certain payments under the national flood insurance program, S. 1047, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of each of the Nation's past Presidents and their spouses, respectively to improve circulation of the \$1 coin, to create a new bullion coin, and S. 190, to address the regulation of secondary mortgage market enterprises, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider S. 1408, to strengthen data protection and safeguards, require data breach notification, and further prevent identity theft, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine issues related to MGM v. Grokster and the appropriate balance between copyright protection and communications technology innovation, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 584 and H.R. 432, bills to require the Secretary of the Interior to allow the continued occupancy and use of certain land and improvements within Rocky Mountain National Park, S. 652, to provide financial assistance for the rehabilitation of the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the development of an exhibit to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin, S. 958, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Star-Spangled Banner Trail in the States of Maryland and Virginia and the District of Columbia as a National Historic Trail, S. 1154, to extend the Acadia National Park Advisory Commission, to provide improved visitor services at the park, S. 1166, to extend the authorization of the Kalaupapa National Historical Park Advisory Commission, and S. 1346, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of maritime sites in the State of Michigan, 10 a.m., SD-366.